## **SCAC BYLAWS – Proposed Changes**

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How to read the revised SCAC Bylaws document

Strikethroughs = Deleted text

*Italics* = New text

• Review changes and be prepared to vote on them at the February SCAC meeting

	Location of Change	Proposed Change	Rational
1.	Entire document	<ul> <li>Eliminate the word 'Board'</li> <li>Eliminate Article V and add some data to Article VI on page 2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SCAC is an advisory council not a board.</li> <li>To eliminate confusion with double meaning of SCAC (the elected council .vs. the general membership.</li> </ul>
2.	Page 2, Article IV section 1.b (and Page 4, Article VI section 4.a)	Address basic policies and the use of SCAC affiliation. Modify these paragraphs.	<ul> <li>Express in this document what is practiced in other organizations and invoke the First Amendment.</li> <li>Avoid the repeat of the misunderstandings generated by the last general election.</li> </ul>
3.	Page 3, Article VI section 1.b	Modify paragraph on Special Concern Representatives	- To insure that elected candidates for these seats have qualifications related to the position.
4.	Page 3, Article VI section 1.e	Modify paragraph to change the term of the council members to two (2) years, with only half of the geographic seats being filled each year, but, with the Special Concern Representatives still being elected each year.	<ul> <li>This is practiced in many legislative and non legislative bodies.</li> <li>This would provide for better transition from one year to the next. Knowledge acquired by the council would be transmitted.</li> </ul>
5.	Page 3, Article VI section 1.g, i	Address the open application period following public notice of a vacant	- Council meetings are held every 4 or 5 weeks; therefore the '30 days' would

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		position on the council. Thirty '(30) days is not practical. Change as needed	often entail keeping the position vacant for 2 months to satisfy the requirement.
6.	Page 4, Article VI section 5	Address conflict of interest for council members during a general meeting. Eliminate paragraph a, update paragraphs c and d. No change to paragraph b. Renumber remaining paragraphs a-c.	- It affects all long time residents who own land and therefore cannot participate in the recommendation/decision making on the SCAC. Consequently, it should encourage more participation of long time residents and land owners.
7.	Page 5, Article VI section 6 (and section 8) (and Article X section 4)	Address two (2) council meetings a month instead of one. Split the current meeting into a Community meeting on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month and a Land Use meeting on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday. Modify paragraphs as needed. If approved then:  1) Change the attendance requirement from 3 to 6 consecutives meetings.  2) Delete Land Use committee	<ul> <li>It would shorten the meetings and insure attendance of the community.</li> <li>There are already two meetings (Land Use committee and SCAC meeting).</li> <li>The Land Use applicants would not have to attend 2 meetings to be heard.</li> </ul>
8.	Page 6, Article VII section 2.a	Address the election process and the candidate filing period. Reword paragraph, changing the 30 days to 4 weeks.	- To provide some clarification to the process and reflect what is being done.
9.	Page 7, Article VII section 2.k	Address offices not being contested and possibility of no election. New paragraph.	- For completeness of the bylaws.

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10.	Page 9, Article VIII section 3.a, b	Identifies the Recording Secretary as the 3 <sup>rd</sup> person in command after the Chairperson and the Vice Chair. Modify paragraphs.	- For completeness of the bylaws.
11.	Page 10, Article VIII section 6.j	Change budget submission date to July instead of April. Modify paragraph.	- To reflect what is currently done.
12.	Page 10, Article IX section 1.d	First sentence is a repeat of section 1.a. Eliminate sentence.	- Clean up of bylaws.
13.	Page 11, Article IX section1.h	Robert's Rules of Order is being replaced by Rosenberg's Rules of Order. Modify paragraph.	- It is simpler, more concise, and sufficient for an advisory council.
14.	Page 11, Article IX section 1.j	Address proper conduct of council members and of the audience. Add new paragraph.	- For completeness of the bylaws.
15.	Page 11, Article X section 2	Address Ad Hoc committees, reporting and dissolution. Modify paragraph.	- For completeness of the bylaws
16.	Page 11, Article X section 3	Address committee Chairperson, election by SCAC and must be present for the election.	- For completeness of the bylaws.
17.	Pages 11 & 12, Article X sections 4 &	Update list of committees based on SCAC	- Clean up of the bylaws.

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	5	meeting of May22, 2006; list has been further revised by this committee. Modify sections.	
18.	Page 12, Article X section 6.a	Address election of committee vice chairs by majority of committee members Modify section.	- For clarification.
19.	Page 12, Article X section 6.c	Address publication of the minutes of standing committees. Eliminate providing copies to the members. Website publication is sufficient. Modify section.	- For simplification of process.
20.	Page 12, Article X section 6.j	Address attendance of the standing committees' members and the effect on their right to vote on a motion. Add paragraph between d and e and renumber.	- To insure the voting members are regular members of the committee and knowledgeable in its activities.